

CONFERENCE REPORT ON MILITARY CONSTRUCTION, FAMILY HOUSING, AND BASE REALIGNMENT, FY 2000

Committee on Rules Granted, by voice vote, a rule waiving all points of order against the conference report on H.R. 2465, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000, and against its consideration. The rule provides that the conference report shall be considered as read.

DIGITAL DIVIDE: BRIDGING THE TECHNOLOGICAL GAP

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Empowerment held a hearing to discuss the "The Digital Divide: Bridging The Technological Gap". Testimony was heard from Larry Irving, Assistant Secretary, Communications and Information, Department of Commerce; and public witnesses.

ENFORCEMENT OF REGULATIONS—NEEDLESS REGULATIONS

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Government Programs and Oversight held a hearing on the burden that needless regulations and lack of common sense in enforcement of regulations place upon Small Businesses. Testimony was heard from Alan Hartman, Architect of the Capitol; Jay Gullo, Mayor, New Windsor, Maryland; and public witnesses.

NATURAL GAS AND HAZARDOUS LIQUID PIPELINE SAFETY PROGRAM

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings, Hazardous Materials and Pipeline Transportation held a hearing on reauthorization of the Natural Gas and Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Safety Program. Testimony was heard from Representative Metcalf; Kelley Coyner, Administrator, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation; James E. Hall, Chairman, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

TEA 21 ENVIRONMENTAL STREAMLINING PROVISIONS

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Ground Transportation held a hearing on TEA 21 Environmental Streamlining Provisions. Testimony was heard from Eugene Conti, Jr., Assistant Secretary, Transportation Policy, Department of Transportation; Steven A. Herman, Assistant Administrator, Enforcement and Compliance Assurance, EPA; Michael L. Davis, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Army (Civil Works), Policy and Legislation, Corps of Engineers; and public witnesses.

Y2K

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Subcommittee on Technical and Tactical Intelligence met in executive session to hold a hearing on Y2K. Testimony was heard from departmental witnesses.

Joint Meetings

APPROPRIATIONS—MILITARY CONSTRUCTION

Conferees agreed to file a conference report on the differences between the Senate and House passed versions of H.R. 2465, making appropriations for military construction, family housing, and base realignment and closure for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2000.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 28, 1999

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: to hold oversight hearings on the Monetary Policy Report to Congress pursuant to the Full Employment and Balanced Growth Act of 1978, 10 a.m., SH-216.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to mark up S. 25, to provide Coastal Impact Assistance to State and local governments, to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act Amendments of 1978, the Land and Water Conservation Fund Act of 1965, the Urban Park and Recreation Recovery Act, and the Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration Act (commonly referred to as the Pittman-Robertson Act) to establish a fund to meet the outdoor conservation and recreation needs of the American people; S. 244, to authorize the construction of the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System and to authorize assistance to the Lewis and Clark Rural Water System, Inc., a nonprofit corporation, for the planning and construction of the water supply system; S. 1330, to give the city of Mesquite, Nevada, the right to purchase at fair market value certain parcels of public land in the city; and S. 1329, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey certain land to Nye County, Nevada, 10 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold hearings on S. 624, to authorize construction of the Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System in the State of Montana; S. 1211, to amend the Colorado River Basin Salinity Control Act to authorize additional measures to carry out the control of salinity upstream of Imperial Dam in a cost-effective manner; S. 1275, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to produce and sell products and to sell publications relating to the Hoover Dam, and to deposit revenues generated from the sales into the Colorado River Dam fund; S. 1236, to extend the deadline under the Federal Power Act for commencement of the construction of the Arrowrock Dam Hydroelectric Project in the State

of Idaho; S. 1377, to amend the Central Utah Project Completion Act regarding the use of funds for water development for the Bonneville Unit; and S. 986, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Griffith Project to the Southern Nevada Water Authority, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Foreign Relations: business meeting to mark up proposed legislation to prevent the further proliferation of nuclear, chemical, and biological weapons; and to authorize appropriations for the provision of security assistance to certain foreign countries; S. 720, to promote the development of a government in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) based on democratic principles and the rule of law, and that respects internationally recognized human rights, to assist the victims of Serbian oppression, to apply measures against the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia; S. Res. 166, a resolution relating to the recent elections in the Republic of Indonesia; S. Con. Res. 48, relating to the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Forum; and pending nominations, 11 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy, Export and Trade Promotion, to hold hearings on the activities of the Agency for International Development and United States climate change policy, 2 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider S. Con. Res. 28, urging the Congress and the President to increase funding for the Pell Grant Program and existing Campus-Based Aid Programs; S. 976, to amend title V of the Public Health Service Act to focus the authority of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration on community-based services children and adolescents, to enhance

flexibility and accountability, to establish programs for youth treatment, and to respond to crises, especially those related to children and violence; and S. 632, to provide assistance for poison prevention and to stabilize the funding of regional poison control centers, and pending nominations, 9:30 a.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold hearings on S. 979, to amend the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act to provide for further self-governance by Indian tribes, 9:30 a.m., SR-485.

Committee on the Judiciary: to hold hearings on how to combat methamphetamine proliferation in America, 10 a.m., SD-628.

Committee on Rules and Administration: to hold oversight hearings on the operations of the Smithsonian Institution, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

House

Committee on the Judiciary, oversight hearing on Competitive Issues in Electricity Deregulation, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Courts and Intellectual Property, oversight hearing on Internet Domain Names and Intellectual Property Rights, 10 a.m., 2237 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, hearing on H.R. 2547, to provide for the conveyance of land interests to Chugach, Alaska Corporation to fulfill the intent, purpose, and promise of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation, hearing on H.R. 316, Cruises-to-Nowhere Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.